

COVER THE "ESSENTIALS" ART COMPETITION

What is the quintessential Eastern Shore experience? That's what we'd like portrayed on the 2008 edition cover of our Eastern Shore "Essentials" magazine. The Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce is pleased to sponsor an art competition for the cover of our 2008-2009 edition. First published in 2005, "Essentials" is a one-stop source of local information for new or even longtime residents. We have tried to include everything from voter registration to recipes while working hard to reflect the variety and diversity of life on the Shore.

Now it's your turn. Again this year, the cover of the next edition of 35,000 copies will feature the winning work of a local artist. In addition, a brief profile of the winner will be in the magazine's "credits" section and an article on the competition in the body of the magazine. The 2008-2009 publication will be available for distribution in May 2008. Good luck!

Rules:

1. All entries must be suitable for use on the publication's cover, 7 5/8" x 10 5/8". Keep in mind that there will be text on the cover as well.
2. All media is acceptable, including paintings, drawings, collages, photographs, carvings, quilts, etc.
3. All entrants must be either members of organizations that belong to ESVCC or members themselves. Entrants must be residents of the Eastern Shore of Virginia.
4. Submissions are to be brought to the Chamber in Melfa, VA no later than noon January 15, 2008.
5. A reception announcing the winner will be held on January 28, 2008.
6. Each entry must include a completed entry form. **Artists must sign the release on the form.**
7. Only one winning entry will be named. No additional awards will be presented. Prize money, not to exceed \$150, will be determined by the number of entries.
8. We envision displaying the best of Eastern Shore life on our cover. Use your creativity. The ways to show this are as diverse as the people and places we feature.

Conditions: Work will be juried by the "Essentials" Committee of ESVCC. The Committee will determine design, layout and cropping. Credit will be given to the artist. ESVCC reserves the right to modify the winning entry for publication preparation. If the winning entry must be photographed, the photographer will be credited.

Registration: \$35 for one entry, \$50 for two. Limit two per artist.

Name: _____

Chamber Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Make checks payable to ESVA Chamber of Commerce. Amount enclosed: _____

I understand that the ESVCC reserves the right to modify (e.g., crop or scale) my piece to prepare for publication and that a photographer, if needed, will be credited.

Signature: _____

Contact Amy Savona at (757) 787-2460 or vp@esvachamber.org for further information.

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